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in FOREIGN PARTS.

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WILLIAM the Third, by the Grace of GOD, of *England, Scotland, France, and Ireland,* King, Defender of the Faith, &c. To all Christian People, to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting.

I. Whereas We are credibly Informed, That in many of our Plantations, Colonies and Factories beyond the Seas, belonging to our Kingdom of *England*, the Provision for Ministers is very mean; and many others of Our said Plantations, Colonies and Factories are wholly Destitute and Unprovided of a Maintenance for Ministers, and the Publick Worship of God; and for lack of Support and Maintenance for such, many of our Loving Subjects do want the Administration of God's Word and Sacraments,

ments, and seem to be abandoned to Atheism and Infidelity; and also for want of Learned and Orthodox Ministers to instruct our said Loving Subjects in the Principles of true Religion, divers *Romish* Priests and Jesuits are the more encouraged to pervert and draw over Our said Loving Subjects to Popish Superstition and Idolatry.

That a Maintenance for an Orthodox Clergy, and other Provision may be made for the Propagation of the Gospel in the Plantations beyond the Sea.

II. And whereas We think it our Duty, as much as in Us lies, to promote the Glory of God, by the Instruction of Our People in the Christian Religion; and that it will be highly conducive for accomplishing those Ends, that a sufficient Maintenance be provided for an Orthodox Clergy to live amongst them, and that such other Provision be made as may be necessary for the Propagation of the Gospel in those Parts.

III. And whereas We have been well assured, That if We would be Graciously pleased to erect and settle a Corporation for the receiving, managing and disposing of the Charity of Our Loving Subjects, divers Persons would be induced to extend their Charity to the Uses and Purposes aforesaid.

His Majesty Incorporates the Archbishop of Canterbury, and

IV. Know ye therefore, That we have, for the Considerations aforesaid, and for the better and more orderly carrying on the said Charitable

ble Purposes, of Our special Grace, certain Knowledge, and mere Motion, Willed, Ordained, Constituted and Appointed, and by these Presents, for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Do Will, Ordain, Constitute, Declare and Grant, That the most Reverend Fathers in God, *Thomas* Lord Archbishop of *Canterbury*, and *John* Lord Archbishop of *York*; the Right Reverend Fathers in God, *Henry* Lord Bishop of *London*, *William* Lord Bishop of *Worcester*; Our Lord Almoner, *Simon* Lord Bishop of *Ely*, *Thomas* Lord Bishop of *Rochester*, Dean of *Westminster*; and the Lords Archbishops of *Canterbury* and *York*, the Bishops of *London* and *Ely*, the Lord Almoner and Dean of *Westminster* for the Time being; *Edward* Lord Bishop of *Gloucester*, *John* Lord Bishop of *Chichester*, *Nicholas* Lord Bishop of *Chester*, *Richard* Lord Bishop of *Bath* and *Wells*, *Humphrey* Lord Bishop of *Bangor*, *John Montague* Doctor of Divinity, Clerk of our Closet, *William Sherlock* Doctor of Divinity, Dean of *St. Paul's*, *William Stanley* Doctor of Divinity, Arch-deacon of *London*, and the Clerk of the Closet, of Us, Our Heirs and Successors; the Dean of *St. Paul's* and Arch-deacon of *London* for the Time being; The two *Regius* and two *Margaret* Professors of Divinity of both Our Universities, for the Time being; *Thomas* Earl of *Thanet*, *Thomas* Lord Vis-

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the Name of,
The Society
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gation of the
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count *Weymouth*, *Francis Lord Guilford*, *William Lord Digby*, *Sir Thomas Cokes of Bently*, *Sir Richard Bulkley*, *Sir John Philips*, and *Sir Arthur Owen*, *Baronets*; *Sir Humphrey Mackworth*, *Sir William Prichard*, *Sir William Russel*, *Sir Edmund Turner*, *Sir William Hustler*, *Sir John Chardin*, and *Sir Richard Blackmore*, *Knts. John Hooke Esq*; *Serjeant at Law*, *George Hooper Doctor of Divinity*, *Dean of Canterbury*, *George Booth Doctor of Divinity*, *Arch-deacon of Durham*, *Sir George Wheeler Prebendary of Durham*, *William Beveridge Doctor of Divinity*, *Arch-deacon of Colchester*, *Sir William Dawes Baronet*, *Thomas Manningham*, *Edward Gee*, *Thomas Lynford*, *Nathaniel Resbury*, *Offspring Blackball*, *George Stanhope*, *William Hayley*, and *Richard Willis*, *Doctors of Divinity*, and *Our Chaplains in Ordinary*; *John Mapletost*, *Zacheus Isham*, *John Davis*, *William Lancaster*, *Humphrey Hodey*, *Richard Lucas*, *John Evans*, *Thomas Bray*, *John Gasparth*, *White Kennet*, *Lilly Butler*, *Josiah Woodward*, *Doctors in Divinity*; *Gideon Harvey* and *Frederick Slare*, *Doctors of Physick*; *Rowland Cotton*, *Thomas Jervois*, *Maynard Colchester*, *James Vernon Junior*, *Joseph Neal*, *Grey Nevill*, *Thomas Clerk*, *Peter King*, *Rock*, *John Comins*, *William Melmouth*, *Tho. Bromfield*, *John Reynolds*, *Dutton Seaman*, *Whitlock Bulstrode*, *Samuel Brewster*, *John Chamberlain*, *Richard King*, and *Daniel*
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Nicoll, Esqrs; Benjamin Lawdell, John Trimmer, Charles Toriano, and John Hodges, Merchants; William Fleetwood, William Whitfeld, and Samuel Bradford, Masters of Arts, and Our Chaplains in Ordinary; Tho. Little, Batchelor in Divinity; Tho. Staino, Henry Altham, William Lloyd, Henry Shute, Tho. Frank, and William Mecken, Clerks, and their Successors; to be Erected in manner as hereafter directed, be, and shall for ever hereafter be, and by Virtue of these Presents, shall be one Body Politick and Corporate, in Deed and in Name, by the Name of, *The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts*: And them and their Successors by the same Name, We do by these Presents, for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, really and fully Make, Ordain, Constitute and Declare, One Body Politick and Corporate, in Deed and in Name.

V. And that by the same Name, they and their Successors shall and may have perpetual Succession. To have perpetual Succession.

VI. And that they and their Successors, by that Name, shall and may, for ever hereafter, be Persons Able and Capable in the Law to Purchase, Have, Take, Receive, and Enjoy to them and their Successors, Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Rents, Advowsons, Liberties, Privileges, Jurisdictions, Franchises, and other Heredi- To Purchase 2000*l.* per Ann. Inheritance, and Estates for Lives or Years, Goods and Chattels of any Value.

reditaments whatsoever, of whatsoever Nature, Kind and Quality they be, in Fee, and in Perpetuity, not exceeding the Yearly Value of Two Thousand Pounds, beyond Reprizals; and also Estates for Lives and for Years, and all other manner of Goods, Chattels, and Things whatsoever, of what Name, Nature, Quality, or Value soever they be, for the better Support and Maintenance of an Orthodox Clergy in Foreign

And to Grant or Demise for 31 Years in Possession only without Fine at the full Rent, or with Fine at the Moiety of the full Value.

Parts, and other the Uses aforesaid; And to Give, Grant, Lett and Demise the said Manors, Messuages, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Goods, Chattels, and Things whatsoever aforesaid, by Lease or Leases, for Term of Years, in Possession at the time of Granting thereof, and not in Reversion, not exceeding the Term of One and Thirty Years from the time of Granting thereof; on which, in Case no Fine be taken, shall be Reserved the full Value; and in Case a Fine be taken, shall be Reserved at least a Moiety of the full Value that the same shall reasonably and *Bona Fide* be worth at the time of such Demise.

And by that Name to Plead and be Impleaded.

VII. And that by the Name aforesaid, they shall, and may be able to Plead and be Impleaded, Answer and be Answered unto, Defend and be Defended, in all Courts and Places whatsoever, and before whatsoever Judges, Justices, or other Officers, of Us, Our Heirs and Successors,

cessors, in all and singular Actions, Complaints, Pleas, Matters and Demands, of what Kind, Nature or Quality soever they be: And to Act and do all other Matters and Things, in as ample Manner and Form as any other our Liege Subjects of this Our Realm of *England*, being Persons able and capable in the Law, or any other Body Corporate or Politick within this Our Realm of *England*, can, or may have, purchase, receive, possess, take, enjoy, grant, set, let, demise, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended, do, permit and execute.

VIII. And that the said Society for ever hereafter, shall and may have a common Seal, to serve for the Causes and Business of them and their Successors: And that it shall and may be lawful for them and their Successors to change, break, alter, and make New the said Seal from time to time, and at their Pleasure, as they shall think best.

And that the said Society shall have a common Seal.

IX. And for the better Execution of the Purposes aforesaid, We do give and grant to the said Society *for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts*, and their Successors, That they, and their Successors for ever, shall, upon the third *Friday* in *February* Yearly, meet at some convenient Place to be appointed by the said Society, or

And Yearly meet on the Third *Friday* in *February*, between 8 and 12 in the Morning, To choose a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, one or

more Treasurers, two or more Auditors, one Secretary, and other Officers for the Year ensuing, who shall take Oath for due Execution of Office.

the Major part of them, who shall be present at any General Meeting, between the Hours of Eight and Twelve in the Morning; and that they, or the Major part of such of them that shall then be present, shall choose one President, one or more Vice-president or Vice-presidents, one or more Treasurer or Treasurers, two or more Auditors, one Secretary, and such other Officers, Ministers and Servants as shall be thought convenient, to serve in the said Offices for the Year ensuing: And that the said President, and Vice-presidents, and all Officers then elected, shall, before they act in their respective Offices, take an Oath, to be to them administered by the President, or in his Absence, by one of the Vice-presidents of the Year preceeding, who are hereby Authorised to Administer the same, for the faithful and due Execution of their respective Offices and Places during the said Year.

That Thomas Lord Archbishop of Canterbury be the first President, who, in 30 Days after the Charter passed, shall issue Summons to the Members of the Society to meet and elect

X. And our farther Will and Pleasure is, That the first President of the said Society, shall be Thomas, by Divine Providence, Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate and Metropolitan of all England: And that the said President shall, within Thirty Days after the passing of this Charter, cause Summons to be issued to the several Members of the said Society herein particularly mentioned, to meet at such Time and Place

Place as he shall appoint: And that they, or the major part of such of them as shall then be present, shall proceed to the Election of one or more Vice-president or Vice-presidents, one or more Treasurer or Treasurers, two or more Auditors, one Secretary, and such other Officers, Ministers, and Servants, as to them shall seem meet; which said Officers, from the time of their Election into their respective Offices, shall continue therein until the third *Friday* in *February*, which shall be in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand seven Hundred and One, and from thenceforwards until others shall be chosen into their Places in Manner aforesaid.

Vice-Presidents, Treasurers, Auditors, Secretary, and other Officers, to continue till the 3d *Friday* in *Feb.* 1701.

XI. And that if it shall happen, that any of the Persons at any time chosen into any of the said Offices shall die, or on any Account be removed from such Office at any Time between the said yearly Days of Election, that in such Case it shall be lawful for the surviving and continuing President, or any one of the Vice-presidents, to issue Summons to the several Members of the Body Corporate, to meet at the usual Place of the Annual Meeting of the said Society, at such Time as shall be specified in the said Summons; and that such Members of the said Body Corporate, who shall meet upon such Summons, or the Major part of them, shall

And if any Officer die, or be removed, the President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, may Summon the Members of the Society to meet, and choose another in his Place.

shall and may choose an Officer or Officers into the Room or Place of such Person or Persons, so Dead or Removed, as to them shall seem meet.

And that the said Society meet to transact Business on the third Friday in every Month, or oftner if need be. And at such Monthly Meeting, may Elect such Members of the Corporation as they see fit.

XII. And We do further Grant unto the said *Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts*, and their Successors, That they and their Successors shall and may, on the third *Friday* in every Month yearly, for ever hereafter, and oftner if Occasion requires, meet at some convenient Place to be appointed for that purpose, to transact the Business of the said Society, and shall and may at any Meeting on such third *Friday* in the Month, Elect such Persons to be Members of the said Corporation, as they, or the Major part of them then present, shall think Beneficial to the Charitable Designs of the said Corporation.

But no Act of the Society shall be valid, unless the President or some Vice-President, and Seven other Members, be present, and the Majority of them consenting thereunto. And at the first or second Meet-

XIII. And Our Will and Pleasure is, That no Act done in any Assembly of the said Society shall be effectual and valid, unless the President, or some one of the Vice-presidents, and seven other Members of the said Company at the least, be present, and the Major part of them consenting thereunto.

XIV. And We further Will, and by these Presents, for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, do Ordain, and Grant unto the said *Society for the*

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Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, and ing of the
 their Successors, That they, or their Successors, and any
 or the Major part of them who shall be pre- Meeting on
 sent at the first and second Meeting of the said day in No-
 Society, or at any Meeting on the third Friday vember, Fe-
 in the Months of November, February, May, and bruary, May,
 August Yearly for ever, and at no other Meet- and August,
 ings of the said Society, shall and may consult, for ever, the
 Determine, Constitute, Ordain, and make any major part
 Constitutions, Laws, Ordinances and Statutes present, may
 whatsoever; as also to execute Leases for Years, make By-
 as aforesaid, which to them, or the Major Laws, and
 part of them then present, shall seem reason- execute
 able, profitable, or requisite, for, touching, or Leases.
 concerning the Good Estate, Rule, Order and
 Government of the said Corporation, and the
 more effectual promoting the said Charitable
 Designs: All which Laws, Ordinances and Con-
 stitutions, so to be made, ordained and esta-
 blished, as aforesaid, We Will, Command, and
 Ordain, by these Presents, for Us, Our Heirs
 and Successors, to be from time to time, and
 at all times hereafter, kept and performed in
 all Things, as the same ought to be, on the
 Penalties and Amerciaments in the same to be
 imposed and limited, so as the same Laws,
 Constitutions, Ordinances, Penalties, and A-
 merciaments, be reasonable, and not repug-
 nant,

nant, or contrary to the Laws and Statutes of this Our Realm of *England*.

And the said Society at any Meeting may depute fit Persons to take Subscriptions, and collect Money contributed for the Purposes aforesaid.

XV. And We do likewise Grant unto the said *Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts*, and their Successors, that they and their Successors, or the Major part of such of them as shall be present at any Meeting of the said Society, shall have Power from time to time, and at all times hereafter, to depute such Persons as they shall think fit, to take Subscriptions, and to gather and collect such Monies as shall be by any Person or Persons contributed for the purposes aforesaid.

And may cause publick Notification of this Charter.

XVI. And shall, and may remove and displace such Deputies as often as they shall see cause so to do, and to cause publick Notification to be made of this Charter, and the Powers thereby granted, in such Manner as they shall think most conducive to the Furtherance of the said Charity.

And shall Yearly give account to the Lord Chancellour or Keeper, and two Chief Justices, or two of them, of all Moneys received and laid out.

XVII. And Our further Will and Pleasure is, That the said Society shall Yearly, and every Year, give an Account in Writing to Our Lord Chancellour, or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of *England* for the Time being, the Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench, and the Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, or any two of them, of the several Sum or Sums of Money by

by them received and laid out by Virtue of these Presents, or any Authority hereby given, and of the Management and Disposition of the Revenues and Charities aforesaid.

And Lastly, Our Pleasure is, That these Our Letters Patents, or the Inrolment thereof, shall be good, firm, valid, and effectual in the Law, according to Our Royal Intentions herein before declared. In Witness whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patents. Witness our Self at *Westminster* the Sixteenth Day of *June*, in the Thirteenth Year of Our Reign.

Per Breve de Privato Sigillo

C O C K S.



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*The Request of the SOCIETY for
the Propagation of the Gospel
in Foreign Parts, concerning fit
Ministers to be sent Abroad for that
good Purpose.*

THE SOCIETY for the Propagation
of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, having
been Incorporated by a ROYAL
CHARTER under the Great Seal
of England, dated June 16. 1701. and thereby
empower'd to Ask, Receive, and dispose of
such Monies as shall be contributed by cha-
ritable, devout and zealous Christians, towards
carrying on so great and pious a Design, have
already, by what hath been given by themselves
and others, not only laid the Foundation, but
made considerable Progress in it; having sent,
besides Books and other things, several Mini-
sters of the Church of England, into His Majesty's
Dominions and Colonies in the *West-Indies*.

But

But understanding, by Letters since come from thence, that there is great need of many more, to instruct the *English*, and such *Indians* as live among them, or near them, in the Principles of the Christian Religion, to administer the Word and Sacraments, and perform all such Offices as are necessary to the Support and Furtherance of the Gospel in those Parts, did in a general Meeting of the said Society, held January 15. 1702. agree, That all the Bishops of the Realm, who were Members of the Society, should be earnestly desired to recommend it to their Archdeacons and their Officials, that publick Notice may be given in their next Archidiaconal Visitations, that such Clergymen as have a Mind to be employed in this Apostolical Work, and can bring sufficient Testimonials, according to the Form hereunto annex'd, that they are duly qualified for it, may give in their Names to their respective Bishops in whose Diocese they live, or to their Archdeacons, to be communicated by them to the Society, which will consult with the Lord Bishop of *London*, in order to sending them to such Places as have most need, and where they may therefore, by God's Assistance and Blessing, do most Good.

And

And if any shall be sent to Places where there is not a sufficient Maintenance already settled, the SOCIETY will take care, that they may have not only a competent Subsistence, but all the Encouragement that is due to those who devote themselves to the Service of Almighty God and our Saviour, by Propagating and Promoting his Gospel, in the Truth and Purity of it, according to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship Establish'd in the *Church of England*.



THE SOCIETY, Erected by ROYAL CHARTER, for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, taking into serious Consideration the absolute Necessity there is, That those Clergymen who shall be sent Abroad, should be duly qualified for the Work to which they are appointed, desire that all Persons, who shall Recommend any to that Purpose, will testify their Knowledge as to the following Particulars, viz.

- I. *The Age of the Person.*
- II. *His Condition of Life, whether Single or Married.*

III. *His*

- III. *His Temper.*
- IV. *His Prudence.*
- V. *His Learning.*
- VI. *His Sober and Pious Conversation.*
- VII. *His Zeal for the Christian Religion, and Diligence in his Holy Calling.*
- VIII. *His Affection to the present Government.*
And,
- IX. *His Conformity to the Doctrine and Discipline of the Church of England.*

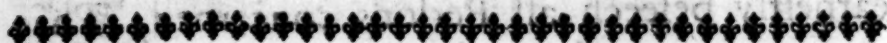
• And the said SOCIETY do request and earnestly beseech all Persons concerned, That they recommend no Man out of Favour or Affection, or any other Worldly Consideration: but with a sincere Regard to the Honour of Almighty God and our Blessed Saviour; as they tender the Interest of the Christian Religion, and the Good of Mens Souls.

[N. B. It is moreover a Standing Order of the Society, That if any Clergyman, who offers himself for this Service, shall have a Cure, he shall, besides his other Testimonials, have the Approbation and Consent of his Diocesan, signified under his Hand and Seal.]


D INSTRU-



INSTRUCTIONS for the Clergy employ'd by the So- ciety for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.



Upon their Admission by the Society.

I.  HAT from the Time of their Admission, they Lodge not in any Publick House; but at some Bookseller's, or in other private and Reputable Families, till they shall be otherwise accommodated by the Society.

II. That till they can have a convenient Passage, they employ their Time usefully; in Reading Prayers, and Preaching, as they have Opportunity; in hearing others Read and Preach; or in such Studies as may tend to fit them for their Employment.

III. That

III. That they constantly attend the Standing Committee of this Society, at St. Paul's Chapter-House, and observe their Directions.

IV. That before their Departure, they wait upon his Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, their Metropolitan; and upon the Lord Bishop of London, their Diocesan; to receive their Paternal Benediction and Instructions.

Upon their going on Board the Ship designed for their Passage.

I. **T**HAT they demean themselves not only inoffensively and prudently; but so as to become remarkable Examples of Piety and Virtue to the Ship's Company.

II. That whether they be Chaplains in the Ships, or only Passengers, they endeavour to prevail with the Captain or Commander, to have Morning and Evening Prayer said daily, as also Preaching and Catechizing every Lord's Day.

III. That throughout their Passage, they Instruct, Exhort, Admonish, and Reprove, as they have Occasion and Opportunity, with such Seriousness and Prudence as may gain them Reputation and Authority.

*Upon their Arrival in the Country
whither they shall be sent.*

First, With Respect to themselves.

I. **T**HAT they always keep in their View the great Design of their Undertaking; viz. To promote the Glory of Almighty God, and the Salvation of Men, by Propagating the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour.

II. That they often consider the Qualifications requisite for those who would effectually promote this Design, viz. A sound Knowledge and hearty Belief of the Christian Religion; an Apostolical Zeal, temper'd with Prudence, Humility, Meekness, and Patience; a fervent Charity towards the Souls of Men; and finally, that Temperance, Fortitude, and Constancy, which become good Soldiers of Jesus Christ.

III. That in order to the obtaining and preserving the said Qualifications, they do very frequently in their Retirements offer up fervent Prayers to Almighty God for his Direction and Assistance; converse much with the Holy Scriptures; seriously reflect upon their Ordination-Vows; and consider the Account which they
are

are to render to the great Shepherd and Bishop of our Souls, at the last Day.

IV. That they acquaint themselves thorowly with the Doctrine of the Church of *England*, as contain'd in the Articles and Homilies; its Worship and Discipline, and Rules for Behaviour of the Clergy, as contained in the Liturgy and Canons; and that they approve themselves accordingly, as genuine Missionaries from this Church.

V. That they endeavour to make themselves Masters in those Controversies, which are necessary to be understood, in order to the Preserving their Flock from the Attempts of such Gainsayers as are mixt among them.

VI. That in their outward Behaviour they be circumspect and unblameable, giving no Offence either in Word or Deed; that their ordinary Discourse be grave and edifying; their Apparel decent, and proper for Clergymen; and that in their whole Conversation they be Instances and Patterns of the Christian Life.

VII. That they do not Board in, or frequent Publick-houses, or lodge in Families of evil Fame; that they wholly abstain from Gaming, and all vain Pastimes; and converse not familiarly with lewd or prophane Persons, otherwise than in order to reprove, admonish, and reclaim them.

VIII. That

VIII. That in whatsoever Family they shall Lodge, they persuade them to join with them in daily Prayer, Morning and Evening.

IX. That they be not nice about Meats or Drinks, nor immoderately careful about their Entertainment in the Places where they shall Sojourn; but contented with what Health requires, and the Place easily affords.

X. That as they be Frugal, in Opposition to Luxury; so they avoid all Appearance of Covetousness, and recommend themselves, according to their Abilities, by the prudent Exercise of Liberality and Charity.

XI. That they take special Care to give no Offence to the Civil Government, by intermeddling in Affairs not relating to their own Calling and Function.

XII. That avoiding all Names of Distinction, they endeavour to preserve a Christian Agreement and Union one with another, as a Body of Brethren of one and the same Church, united under the Superior Episcopal Order, and all engaged in the same great Design of Propagating the Gospel; and to this End, keeping up a Brotherly Correspondence, by meeting together at certain Times, as shall be most convenient, for mutual Advice and Assistance.

Secondly,

Secondly, *With Respect to their Parochial Cure.*

I. THAT they conscientiously observe the Rules of our Liturgy, in the Performance of all the Offices of their Ministry.

II. That besides the stated Service appointed for Sundays and Holy-days, they do, as far as they shall find it practicable, publicly read the daily Morning and Evening Service, and decline no fair Opportunity of Preaching to such as may be Occasionally met together from Remote and Distant Parts.

III. That they perform every Part of Divine Service with that Seriousness and Decency, that may recommend their Ministrations to their Flock, and excite a Spirit of Devotion in them.

IV. That the chief Subjects of their Sermons be the great Fundamental Principles of Christianity, and the Duties of a sober, righteous, and godly Life, as resulting from those Principles.

V. That they particularly Preach against those Vices, which they shall observe to be most predominant in the Places of their Residence.

VI. That they carefully instruct the People concerning the Nature and Use of the Sacra-

ments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, as the peculiar Institutions of Christ, Pledges of Communion with Him, and Means of deriving Grace from Him.

VII. That they duly consider the Qualifications of those adult Persons, to whom they administer Baptism; and of those likewise whom they admit to the Lord's Supper, according to the Directions of the Rubricks in our Liturgy.

VIII. That they take a special Care to lay a good Foundation for all their other Ministrations, by Catechizing those under their Care, whether Children, or other ignorant Persons, explaining the Catechism to them in the most easie and familiar Manner.

IX. That in their instructing *Heathens* and *Infidels*, they begin with the Principles of Natural Religion, appealing to their Reason and Conscience; and thence proceed to shew them the Necessity of Revelation, and the Certainty of that contained in the Holy Scriptures, by the plain and most obvious Arguments.

X. That they frequently visit their respective Parishioners; those of our own Communion, to keep them steady in the Profession and Practice of Religion, as taught in the Church of *England*; those that oppose us, or dissent from us, to convince and reclaim them with a Spirit of Meekness and Gentleness.

XI.

XI. That those whose Parishes shall be of large Extent, shall, as they have Opportunity and Convenience, officiate in the several Parts thereof, so that all the Inhabitants may by turns partake of their Ministrations; and that such as shall be appointed to officiate in several Places, shall reside sometimes at one, sometimes at another of those Places, as the Necessities of the People shall require.

XII. That they shall, to the best of their Judgments, distribute those small Tracts given by the Society for that Purpose, amongst such of their Parishioners as shall want them most, and appear likely to make the best Use of them; and that such useful Books, of which they have not a sufficient Number to give, they be ready to lend to those who will be most careful in reading and restoring them.

XIII. That they encourage the setting up of Schools for the teaching of Children; and particularly by the Widows of such Clergymen as shall die in those Countries, if they be found capable of that Employment.

XIV. That each of them keep a Register of his Parishioners Names, Profession of Religion, Baptism, &c. according to the Scheme annex'd N^o. I. for his own Satisfaction, and the Benefit of the People.

Thirdly, *With Respect to the Society.*

THAT each of them keep a constant and regular Correspondence with the Society, by their Secretary.

II. That they send every six Months an Account of the State of their respective Parishes, according to the Scheme annex'd, N^o. II.

III. That they communicate what shall be done at the Meetings of the Clergy, when settled, and whatsoever else may concern the Society.




N ^o . II.	
<i>Notitia Parochialis; Or an Account to be sent Home every Six Months to the Society by each Minister, concerning the Spiritual State of their respective Parishes.</i>	
I. <i>Number of Inhabitants.</i>	
II. <i>N^o. of the Baptized.</i>	
III. <i>N^o. of Adult Persons Baptized this Half Year.</i>	
IV. <i>N^o. of actual Communicants of the Church of England.</i>	
V. <i>N^o. of those who profess themselves of the Church of England.</i>	
VI. <i>N^o. of Dissenters of all Sorts, particularly Papists.</i>	
VII. <i>N^o. of Heathens and Infidels.</i>	
VIII. <i>N^o. of Converts from a prophan, disorderly and unchristian Course, to a Life of Christian Purity, Meekness, and Charity.</i>	



DIRECTIONS for the Cate- chist, for Instructing the Soci- ety's Negroes on their Plan- tations in *Barbadoes*.



S E C T. I.

First,  **UT** them upon considering
what sort of Creatures they
are; and how they came in-
to Being.

Secondly, From whom they received their
Being.

Thirdly, What sort of Apprehensions they
ought to have of the Author of their Beings.

Fourthly, Shew them, from that invisible
Spirit which moves and acts their Bodies, and
by which they are enabled to think, to rea-
son, and to remember, that there may be
other

other Beings which they do not see with their Eyes; and particularly that Being which we call GOD.

Fifthly, Shew them, that there is such a Being as we call GOD, from his Works of Creation and Providence; and particularly from the Frame of their own Beings.

S E C T. II.

But forasmuch as our Knowledge of God, and of his Will, is imperfect, shew them farther, How He has made Himself and his Will known to Men, by a certain Book, called the *Bible*, which was written by several holy Men, to whom God made known Himself and his Will, ~~that they might~~ teach others.

For a Proof of this, shew them, That this Book contains Things worthy of God; and that the Men who wrote it, in several Places of it, do foretel Things which none but God could make known to them; and that they did many wonderful Works, which none but God could enable them to do; and give them some plain Instances in both Kinds out of the Bible.

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Shew them farther, That this Book, called the *Bible*, has been carefully preserved, and handed down to us from Generation to Generation, and has all the Marks of Truth and Sincerity in it.

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Shew them, in the next Place, what this Book teaches concerning God, viz. That there is but one God; that as He created, so He governs the World; that He takes Care of all the Beings which He hath made, particularly of the Children of Men, and more especially of them that fear and serve Him.

Shew them, in the next Place, what this Book teaches concerning Man; How God formed one Man and one Woman at first; and how all Mankind are descended from them; what State they were made in; what Law was given them to try their Obedience; how they disobeyed that Law; and what were the unhappy Consequences of their Disobedience upon themselves, and upon their whole Posterity.

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S E C T. IV.

Proceed then to shew them, That the *Bible* farther teaches them, what Method Almighty God hath taken to deliver Mankind from the evil Consequences of their Disobedience, viz. By sending his only begotten Son Jesus Christ into the World, to take our Nature upon Him; instruct them concerning the Manner of his Conception, his Birth, Life, Death, Resurrection, Ascension into Heaven, and continual Intercession for us there; and his sending forth twelve Disciples, called his twelve Apostles, to publish his Doctrine to the World, enabling them, by the Holy Ghost, to speak many Languages they had never learned, and to do many great and miraculous Works for the Confirmation thereof.

S E C T. V.

Shew them next, what the *Bible* teaches them to hope for from this Son of God; namely, the Forgiveness of their Sins; the Assistances of God's Grace; and everlasting Life and Happiness, through his Merits and Mediation.

Shew them the Conditions of obtaining these good Things, viz. Repentance, Faith, and

and a good Life, instructing them particularly in the Nature of each of these.

Shew them farther, by what Means they may be enabled to perform these Conditions, *viz.* By exercising their own Reason; by carefully reading and considering the *Bible*; by praying earnestly to God, that He will, for Jesus Christ his Sake, afford them his Assistance; and lastly, by entring themselves into the Church of Christ, or Society of Christians.

S E C T. VI.

Then shew them, how they are to enter into the Church of Christ by *Baptism*; namely, By being washed with Water, *In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost*; shew them what the holy Scriptures have revealed concerning the Trinity of the Divine Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and the Unity of their Essence; shew them the Nature and Design of their being thus baptized, and the Obligations they are laid under by it; particularly what they are further to do when they are thus entered into the Church by Baptism, *viz.* heartily to love their Fellow-Christians, and frequently to join with them in the Publick Worship of God, in Prayers, and Praises, and partaking of the

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Lord's-Supper; instruct them in the Institution and Nature of the Lord's-Supper, and the Manner in which it is celebrated in the Christian Church.

Teach them, that the *Bible* declares, That Jesus Christ will come again to judge all Men, according to what they have done in this Life, whether it be Good or Evil; that, to this Purpose, He will raise the Dead, reuniting their immortal Souls to their Bodies, in order to reward the Pious and Good with everlasting Life, and condemn the Wicked to everlasting Punishment.

S E C T. VII.

For a Conclusion of the whole; in order to convince them of the Usefulness and the Necessity of the Revelation made in the *Bible*, put them upon recollecting what you have taught them; and shew them, what they might have known by their own Reason, if duly exercised, and what they could not have known but from the *Bible*; and endeavour to convince them, that the Truths contained in the *Bible* are highly worthy of God, fit to be believed, and thankfully received by Men, and excite in them an earnest Desire to read the *Bible* as soon as they can.



*Instructions for Schoolmasters Employ'd
by the Society, &c.*

I. **T**HAT they well consider the End for which they are employ'd by the Society, viz. The instructing and disposing Children to believe and live as Christians.

II. In order to this End, that they teach them to read truly and distinctly, that they may be capable of reading the Holy Scriptures, and other pious and useful Books, for informing their Understandings, and regulating their Manners.

III. That they instruct them thoroughly in the Church-Catechism; teach them first to read it distinctly and exactly, then to learn it perfectly by Heart; endeavouring to make

them understand the Sense and Meaning of it, by the Help of such Expositions as the Society shall send over.

IV. That they teach them to Write a plain and legible Hand, in order to the fitting them for useful Employments; with as much Arithmetick as shall be necessary to the same Purpose.

V. That they be industrious, and give constant Attendance at proper School-Hours.

VI. That they daily use, Morning and Evening, short and proper Prayers with their Scholars in the School, and teach them Prayers and Graces to be used by themselves at Home.

VII. That they oblige their Scholars to be constant at Church on the Lord's-Day, Morning and Afternoon, and at all other times of publick Worship; that they cause them to carry their Bibles and Prayer Books with them, instructing them how to use them there, and how to demean themselves in the several Parts of Worship; that they be there present with them, taking Care of their reverent and decent Behaviour, and examine them afterwards as to what they have heard and learn'd.

VIII. That

VIII. That when any of their Scholars are fit for it, they recommend them to the Minister of the Parish, to be publickly Catechized in the Church.

IX. That they take especial Care of their Manners, both in their Schools, and out of them; warning them seriously of those Vices to which Children are most liable; teaching them to abhor Lying and Falshood, and to avoid all sorts of Evil-speaking; to love Truth and Honesty; to be Modest, Gentle, Well-behav'd, Just and Affable, and Courteous to all their Companions; respectful to their Superiours, particularly towards all that minister in holy Things, and especially to the Minister of their Parish; and all this from a Sense and Fear of Almighty God; endeavouring to bring them in their tender Years to that Sense of Religion, which may render it the constant Principle of their Lives and Actions.

X. That they use all kind and gentle Methods in the Government of their Scholars, that they may be lov'd as well as fear'd by them; and that when Correction is necessary, they make the Children to understand, that it is given them out of Kindness, for their Good, bringing them to a Sense of their Fault, as well as of their Punishment.

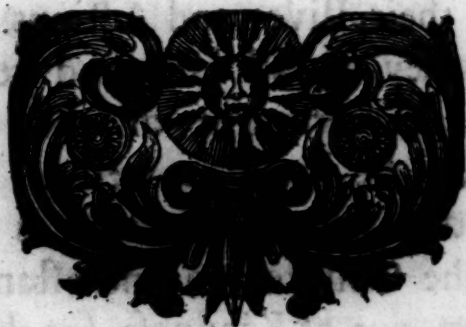
XI. That

XI. That they frequently consult with the Minister of the Parish in which they dwell, about the Methods of managing their Schools, and be ready to be advised by him.

XII. That they do, in their whole Conversation, shew themselves Examples of Piety and Virtue to their Scholars, and to all with whom they shall converse.

XIII. That they be ready, as they have Opportunity, to teach and instruct the *Indians* and *Negroes*, and their Children.

XIV. That they send to the Secretary of the Society, once in every six Months, an Account of the State of their respective Schools, the Number of their Scholars, with the Methods and Success of their Teaching.





PRAYERS for the Use of the Charity-Schools in *America*.



A Morning Prayer for the Master and Scholars.



Raised be the Lord from the rising
up of the Sun, to the going down
of the same. Thou art our God,
and we will praise thee; Thou art
our God, and we will thank thee.

Thou hast made us after thine own Image;
thou daily preservest and providest for us; thou
hast redeemed us by the precious Blood of thy
dear Son; thou hast given us thy holy Word
for our Direction, and promis'd thy holy Spirit
for our Assistance; thou hast raised up to us
Friends

Friends and Benefactors, who have taken Care of our Education and Instruction; thou hast brought us together again this Morning, to teach and to learn that which may be profitable to us.

For these and all thy Favours, Spiritual and Temporal, our Souls do bless and magnify thy holy Name, humbly beseeching thee to accept this our Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord.

And do thou, O Lord, who hast safely brought us to the Beginning of this Day, defend us in the same by thy mighty Power; and grant that this Day we fall into no Sin, neither run into any kind of Danger, but that all our Doings may be ordered by thy Governance, to do always that which is righteous in thy Sight, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord.

Particularly, we beg thy Blessing upon our present Undertaking. Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious Favour, and further us with thy continual Help, that in these and all our Works, begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy Mercy obtain everlasting Life, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord.

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Enlighten, we pray thee, our Understandings, strengthen our Memories, sanctify our Hearts, and guide us in our Lives. Help us to learn and to practise those things which are good, that we may become serious Christians, and useful in the World, to the Glory of thy great Name, the Satisfaction of those who have so kindly provided for our Souls and Bodies, and our own present and future Well-being.

Let thy Blessings be abundantly bestowed upon all our Friends and Benefactors, particularly on *the Society Erected for the Propagation of the Gospel*. Prosper thou the Work of their Hands, O Lord, prosper thou their Handy-work.

These Prayers, both for them and our selves, we humbly offer up, in the Name of thy Son *Jesus Christ* our Redeemer, concluding in his most perfect Form of Words; *Our Father, &c.*



*An Evening Prayer for the Master and
Scholars.*

A Ccept, we beseech thee, O Lord, our Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving for all thy Goodness and Loving-kindness to us; particularly for the Blessings of this Day; for thy gracious Protection and Preservation; for the Opportunities we have enjoy'd for the Instruction and Improvement of our Minds; for all the Comforts of this Life, and the Hope of Life everlasting, through *Jesus Christ* our Redeemer.

Forgive, most merciful Father, we humbly pray thee, all the Errors and Transgressions which thou hast beheld in us the Day past; and help us to express our unfeigned Sorrow for what has been amiss, by our Care to amend it.

What we know not, do thou teach us; instruct us in all the Particulars of our Duty, both towards Thee and towards Men; and give us Grace always to do those things which are good, and well-pleasing in thy Sight, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord.

Whatsoever good Instructions have been here given this Day, grant that they may be carefully remember'd, and duly followed; and whatsoever good Desires thou hast put into any of our Hearts, grant that, by the Assistance of thy Grace, they may be brought to good Effect; that thy Name may have the Honour, and we, with those who are assistant to us in this Work of our Instruction, may have Comfort at the Day of Account, through our Lord and Saviour *Jesus Christ*.

Lighten our Darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great Mercy defend us from all Perils and Dangers of this Night; continuing to us the Blessings which we enjoy, and helping us to testify our Thankfulness for them, by a due Use and Improvement of them.

Bless, O Lord, we beseech thee, all our Friends and Benefactors, particularly that *Society*, for which we are bound in especial manner to pray. Direct and prosper all their pious Endeavours for the Propagation of thy Gospel in the World.

These Praises and Prayers we humbly offer up to thy divine Majesty, through the Mediation of thy Son, *Jesus Christ* our Lord; in whose holy Name and Words we sum up all our Desires; *Our Father, &c.*

*A Morning Prayer to be used daily.
by every Child at Home.*

GLory be to thee, O Lord, who hast preserv'd me from the Perils of the Night past, who hast refresh'd me with Sleep, and rais'd me up again to praise thy holy Name.

I humbly worship thee, O God, my heavenly Father, through *Jesus Christ* my Redeemer; and I do again devote my self to thee, desiring to serve thee faithfully this, and all the Days of my Life.

Help me to remember thee, my Creator, in the Days of my Youth.

Preserve me from those Errors and Follies, to which the Frailty of my Age does most expose me, and keep me innocent from every great Offence.

Deliver me from the Vanity of mine own Heart, and from the Temptations of evil Company.

Incline my Heart to all that is good; that I may be modest and humble, true and just, temperate and diligent, respectful and obedient to my Superiors; that I may fear and love thee above all; that I may love my Neighbour as my self, and do to every one as I would they should do unto me.

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Let thy good Providence defend me this Day from all Evil; let the Grace of thy Holy Spirit continually prevent and assist me.

Bless me, I pray thee, in my Learning; and help me daily to increase in Knowledge, and Wisdom, and all Virtue.

I humbly beg thy Blessing upon all my Relations and Friends [^{*} particularly my Father and Mother, my Brothers and Sisters, and every one in this House;] Grant to them whatsoever may be good for them in this Life, and guide them to Life everlasting.

I humbly commit my self to thee, O Lord,
in the Name of *Jesus Christ* my Saviour, and
in the Words which he himself hath taught me;
Our Father, &c.



*An Evening Prayer to be used daily
by every Child at Home.*

GLORY be to thee, O Lord, who hast preserved me the Day past, who hast defended me from all the Evils to which I am constantly expos'd in this uncertain Life, who hast continued my Health, who hast bestow'd upon me all things necessary for Life and Godliness.

I humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, to pardon whatsoever thou hast seen amiss in me this Day, in my Thoughts, or Words, or Actions, (particularly) &c. *

* Here let the Child mention any particular Fault which he knows himself to have been guilty of.

Assist me, I pray thee, in making it my constant Endeavour, to resist and conquer every evil Inclination within me, and every Temptation from without.

Help me daily to increase in the Knowledge and Love of thee, my God, and of my Saviour Jesus Christ.

Shew me the Way in which I should walk, whilst I am young, and grant that I may never depart from it.

Bless to me, I pray thee, whatsoever good Instructions have been given me this Day, helping me carefully to remember them, and duly to improve them; that I may be ever growing in Knowledge, and Wisdom, and Goodness.

I humbly commit my Soul and Body to thy Care this Night, begging thy gracious Protection and Blessing.

And all these Blessings which I ask for my self, I heartily desire for my Relations and Friends, and every one in this House. Let it please thee to guide us all in this Life present, and to conduct us to thy heavenly Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our only Lord and Saviour; in whose Words I conclude my Prayers, Our Father, &c.

*A short Prayer for every Child, when
they first come into their Seats at
Church.*

LORD, I am now in thy House; assist,
I pray thee, and accept of my Services.
Let thy Holy Spirit help my Infirmities, dis-
posing my Heart to Seriousness, Attention, and
Devotion; to the Honour of thy holy Name,
and the Benefit of my Soul, through *Jesus Christ*
our Saviour. *Amen.*



Before they leave their Seats, thus;

BLESSED be thy Name, O Lord, for
this Opportunity of attending Thee in
thy House and Service. Make me, I pray
Thee, a Doer of thy Word, not a Hearer on-
ly. Accept both us and our Services, through
our only Mediator *Jesus Christ*. *Amen.*

A Grace before Meat.

* *We.*

† *Our.*

* *Us.*

Sanctify, O Lord, * I beseech Thee, these
thy good Creatures to † my Use, and
* me to thy Service, through *Jesus Christ* our
Lord. *Amen.*



A Grace after Meat.

* *Us.*

Blessed and praised be thy holy Name,
O Lord, for these and all thy other
Blessings bestow'd upon * me, through *Jesus*
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*





STANDING ORDERS OF THE SOCIETY

FOR THE
Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.



I. ORDERS *Relating to the* SOCIETY.

Rules, &c. [I. **T**HAT the Society meet upon the third *Friday* in *February* Yearly, between the Hours of Eight and Twelve in the Morning; and they, or the Major Part of such of them that shall then be present, shall

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choose One President, One or more Vice-Presidents, One or more Treasurers, Two or more Auditors, One Secretary, and other Officers for the Year ensuing, who shall respectively take an Oath for the due Execution of their respective Offices.

II. That if any Officer die, or be removed, the President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, may summon the Members to meet at the usual Place of the Annual Meeting of the Society, and choose another in his Place.

III. That the Society meet on the Third Friday in every Month, and oftner if Occasion requires, to transact the Business of the Society, and may, at any such Meeting, elect Persons for Members.

IV. That no Act of the Society be valid, unless the President, or One of the Vice-Presidents, and Seven other Members, be present.

V. That at any Meeting on the Third Friday in the Months of November, February, May, and August Yearly, and at no other Meetings, the Society, or the Major Part then present, may make By-Laws, and execute Leases, &c.

VI. That

VI. That the Society may depute such Persons as they shall think fit, to take Subscriptions, and collect Monies contributed for the Purposes of the Society.

VII. That the Society shall Yearly give an Account in Writing to the Chancellour, or Keeper of the Great-Seal, the Chief Justices of the King's Bench and Common Pleas, or any Two of them, of all Monies receiv'd and laid out, and of the Management of the Charities.

VIII. That before the Society enter upon Business, the following Prayers shall be used by one of the Clergy then present. *Prevent us, O Lord, in all our Doings, with thy most gracious Favour, and further us with thy continual Help, that in all our Works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy Mercy obtain everlasting Life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

O Merciful God, who hast made all Men, and hatest nothing that Thou hast made, nor wouldest the Death of a Sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; have Mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Hereticks, and take from them all Ignorance, Hardness of Heart, and Contempt of thy Word; and so fetch them home, Blessed Lord, to thy Flock, that they may be saved among

the rest of the true Israelites, and be made one Fold under one Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, One God, World without End. Amen.

IX. That there be a Sermon preached before the Society, on the *Third Friday* in every *February*; and that the Preacher and Place be appointed by the President.

X. That the Form of the Oath to be tendered to all the Officers of the Society, before they are admitted into their respective Offices, be as follows. *I A. B. do Swear, that I will faithfully and duly execute the Office of of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, according to the best of my Judgment. So help me God.*

XI. That the Charter and Seal of the Society, and all Writings, Instruments, Deeds, and other Papers, that are ordered to be preserved, be put into a strong Box, and lodged in the Place where the Society meets.

XII. That no Sum or Sums of Money exceeding Ten Pounds, (excepting Yearly Salaries to Missionaries, &c.) be disposed of at any Meeting, unless Fourteen Members of the Society be present.

XIII. That no Motion or Petition to the Society, for an Allowance of any Money or Books

Books for any other Persons than such as are Missionaries, or School-Masters, sent and employed by the Society, be comply'd with, unless it be propos'd and consider'd at two several Meetings.

XIV. That no Book or Paper be printed and dispersed at the Charges of the Society, or admitted into the Missionaries Libraries, or sent over to them, till the said Book or Paper has been propos'd and approved at a General Meeting of the Society.

XV. That the Minutes of the last Day, and the Minutes of intermediate Committees, be read before the Society enters upon new Business.

XVI. That all the Standing Orders be read every Third Friday in May.

XVII. That the Accounts of the Society be Audited Yearly in January.

XVIII. That every Minute be read over as soon as taken by the Secretary, and sign'd by the Chairman, before the Society proceed to other Business; and that the same Method be also observed at all the Meetings of the Committee.

XIX. That the original Minutes be collated, with the Books into which they are enter'd, by the Secretary or his Clerks; and that
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this be done at the first Meeting of every Committee that immediately follows the General Meeting.

XX. That one of the Anniversary Sermons of the Society be sent to every Person a Benefactor to the Society within the precedent Year.

XXI. That proper and significant Heads only, of the several Orders and Resolutions of the Society, be taken by the Secretary; and that the same be afterwards reduced into due Form, to be examined and settled by the Chairman or Committee; and that once signing the Minutes at the Foot of the same be sufficient.



II. ORDERS *Relating to the* COMMITTEE.

THAT a Committee of the Society be appointed to receive Proposals that may be offer'd to them, for the promoting the Designs of the Society, and to prepare Matters for the Consideration of the Society.

II. That such Members of the Society as please to come, or any Three of them, be the said

said Committee; and that the said Committee meet at St. Paul's Chapter-House, the *Monday* immediately preceeding the General Meeting, (and oftner if necessary) at Four in the Afternoon.

III. That no Motion for Money or Books be originally made, or received at the Committee.

IV. That the President, or General or Standing Committee, that meet at St. Paul's Chapter-House, when Five are present, may have Power to appoint a Meeting of the Society on extraordinary Occasions.



III. ORDERS Relating to the MEMBERS.

I. **T**HAT no Person be admitted a Member of the Society, till he be proposed at Three several Meetings.

II. That Elections of Members, and all other Matters that are put to the Question, be determined by Balloting.

III. That no Persons be admitted Members of the Society, unless they consent to subscribe something Annually for promoting the Designs

signs of the Society, excepting such as have been Benefactors.

IV. That all the Orders relating to the choosing Members, be read before the Society proceed to Balloting.

V. That when any Person is proposed for a Member of the Society, the Name of the Person that proposed him be enter'd in the Journal at the same Time.



IV. ORDERS *Relating to the* AUDITORS.

I. **T**HAT the Auditors, in their Reports, enter the Name of all such Subscribers as have not compleated their Payments to the Quarter-Day before the Audit; and also the respective Sums then unpaid; and that the Particulars of the said Report do always lie on the Table, that every Subscriber may have the Opportunity of correcting any Mistake.

II. That the Secretary, after each Audit, do write to all such Members as are above a Year in Arrear, for their Subscriptions, taking first the Directions of the Society therein.

III. That

III. That the Auditors take an Account of all Books within the Year past, and how disposed of, and what are remaining in the Hands of the Treasurers, or any other Officer.

IV. That at every Election of Auditors, one of the former Year be always chosen, as an Auditor for the Year ensuing.

V. That every Audit be fairly enter'd into a Book kept for that Purpose by the Secretary, and examined and subscribed by the respective Auditors.

VI. That the Auditors be summon'd, within a Month after every Audit, to examine the Audit after it is Enter'd into the Book of Audits, and to sign the same.

VII. That the said Auditors do yearly direct or prepare an Account of all Monies receiv'd and laid out, and of the Management and Disposition thereof; and see that Copies of such Account be Yearly given, according to their Charter. And that such Account (the Copies whereof are to be given as aforesaid) be Enter'd into a Book to be kept for such Purpose. And that a Memorandum be made under each Account, to whom Copies thereof were deliver'd, and when, and by whose Hand.

VIII. That the Auditors see the Treasurer seal his Bond.

IX. That the Auditors take Notice in their Yearly Account, of all Reversionary Legacies, &c. and also what Money hath been order'd, especially by the Society, to be paid, and is not then actually paid.



V. ORDERS *Relating to the* TREASURER.

I. **T**HAT if the Society shall think fit to choose more than one Treasurer, neither of them be answerable for the Acts or Miscarriages of the other.

II. That the Treasurer or Collector do demand of the Members of the Society, such of their Quarterly Subscriptions as remain unpaid, on the first Meeting that shall follow the Quarter Day after which such Subscriptions are due.

III. That the Treasurer be empower'd to pay the Charges of Porteridge, Freight, &c. of such Books and other Things as are sent from the Society to the Plantations.

IV. That

IV. That all Benefactions and Entrance-Money be registred in a Book kept for that Purpose; and that at every Monthly Meeting of the Society, the Treasurer, if present, shall charge himself under his Hand in the said Book, with all such Receipts; or in the Treasurer's Absence, the Secretary shall, under his Hand, in the same Book, charge himself with such Receipts, and, at the first Opportunity, shall pay the Money to the Treasurer, and take his Discharge in the said Book; which Book, at every Audit, shall be laid before the Auditors.

V. That the Treasurer do always in his Accounts mention the Date of the Order upon which he acts.

VI. That the Treasurer or Treasurers shall be entirely trusted with the Monies of the Society, upon his or their giving such Security as the Society approve; and that they, or either of them, shall be accountable for no more Money than actually comes to their Hands.

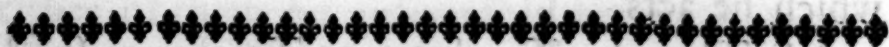
VII. That in Case any of the Missionaries shall draw upon the Society any Bill, payable before it becomes due, the Treasurer do accept to pay it when it becomes due, and not otherwise.

VIII. That as soon as the Treasurer's Accounts are Audited, the several Vouchers and

Receipts of Disbursements, for the particular Sums in the said Audited Accounts, be delivered up by the Treasurer, to be kept by the Society.

IX. That no Money be paid by the Treasurer or Treasurers of the Society to any Person sent from the Society, Missionary or Schoolmaster, into the Plantations, till the Treasurer be certified such Person is actually on Board.

X. That the State of the Society's Affairs, with respect to their Expences and present Cash, be laid before the Society at every their Quarterly Meeting.



VI. ORDERS *Relating to the* SECRETARY.

I. **T**HAT no Member of the Society shall be chosen Secretary.

II. That the Secretary be always present at the Audit.

III. That the Secretary do from time to time lay before the Lord Archbishop of *Canterbury*, and Lord Bishop of *London*, Copies of the Minutes

minutes taken at the Meetings of the Society, and of the Committee.

IV. That the Secretary keep a Register of all the Books allow'd to Missionaries, or other Persons, in which the Missionary's or other Person's Name, the Place of his Abode, and the Time when he receiv'd the said Books, are to be entered, excepting the Society's Anniversary Sermons, and other Papers, and such small Tracts which are to be given away to their respective Parishioners.

V. That all Letters from Missionaries, or others, of Business that concerns the Society, be directed in this Form: *To the Secretary of the Society, &c.* to be left at the Arch-Bishop of Canterbury's Library at St. Martin's; that all such Letters be laid before the Society or Committee unopened; and that all Letters, or Answers to Letters intended to be sent from, and by Order of the Society, before they are sent, be laid before the Society, or Committee.

VI. That the Secretary do furnish every new Member, and all such Persons as from time to time are sent abroad by the Society, with a Copy of all the Standing Orders, with the Anniversary Sermons, and other Papers publish'd by the Society.

VII. That

VII. That the Secretary do prepare an Abstract of the most material Transactions of every Year, which, after they have been approved by the Society, shall be publish'd at the End of the Anniversary Sermon.

VII. ORDERS *Relating to the*
MISSIONARIES.

I. **T**HAT for the greater Encouragement of such Clergymen, or others, as are willing to engage themselves in the Service of the Society, one half Year's Salary shall be advanced to them, (they giving Security that they will take the first Opportunity of a Passage) and at the Determination of the first Year, or in Case of Mortality, the remaining Part shall be paid to their Executors, or Assigns.

II. That if any Missionary, sent over to the Plantations with an Allowance from the Society to any particular Place, shall fix himself in any other Place, by the Direction of the present Governour, or otherwise, the Society will not continue the Allowance to the said Missionary.

Missioner, until the said Change shall be approved of by the Society.

III. That a Sum, not exceeding 10*l.* be allowed to such Missionaries as shall be sent over by the Society, to Places where there are no Libraries, towards buying any of the Books mention'd in the Society's Catalogue.

IV. That a Sum, not exceeding 5*l.* be allowed to every Missionary sent by the Society, to be laid out in such practical and devotional Books, as the standing Committee shall think fit, which are to be distributed *Gratis* by the said Missionary, amongst his Parishioners, according to his Discretion.

V. That no Person shall receive any Allowance from the Society, unless he produce such Testimonials as have been agreed on by the Society.

VI. That no Testimonials shall be allowed of, but such as are sign'd by the respective Diocesan, of any Missionary that is to be sent over to the Plantations; and where that is not practicable, by some other Persons of Credit and Note, three at least, of the Communion of the Church of *England*, and such as shall be well known to some of the Members of the Society.

VII. That all Missionaries, in Matters which they desire should be laid before the Society, do correspond only with the Secretary of this Society.

VIII. That a Letter of Recommendation, in the Name of the President for the time being, and the Society, to the Captains and Masters of Ships, in which the Society's Missionaries go over, be given to each Missionary by the Secretary, at the time of his Departure.

IX. That all such Persons as are sent abroad by the Society, and have Half a Year's Salary advanced to them, do give the Treasurer good Security, that they will repair to their Posts as soon as they are able, or refund the Society's Money.

X. That no Person whatsoever be employ'd as a Missionary by the Society, till he has been try'd and approv'd of, as touching his Ability in Reading the Common-Prayer, and Preaching, &c. and (if not an *Englishman*) particularly as to his Pronunciation.

XI. That all Missionaries, to whom Books are given, be oblig'd to leave a Catalogue of the said Books, and to sign a Bond, the Penalty of which shall be double the Value of the said Books, to be accountable for the same.

XII. That

XII. That one Dozen Copies of Mr. *Osterwald's* Catechism, be sent with all the Missionaries that shall be appointed by the Society into Foreign Parts.

XIII. That all such Missionaries as are sent over to Places, where there are no Churches, nor Church-Books, be provided with a Bible, and Common-Prayer-Book, and Book of Homilies; and that it be left to the Discretion of the Committee, to provide the same where they shall judge necessary.

XIV. That no Person, sent as a Missionary into the Plantations, &c. shall receive any Allowance or Books from the Society, but those only that shall bring such Testimonials as are contained in the Society's printed Paper of Qualifications.

XV. That if any Missionary, in the Service of the Society, shall return from the Plantations, without Leave first had from the Society, such Missionary shall receive no further Allowance from the time he shall leave his Service there.

XVI. That no Notice be taken of any Application for Missionaries or otherwise, unless such Application be made to the Society.

XVII. That all Missionaries sent over to the Plantations by the Society, (being married Men) be obliged to take their Wives with

them, unless they can offer such Reasons as shall induce the Society to dispense therewith.

XVIII. That the Salary of every Missionary, who is not dismiss'd the Service for some Misdemeanour, shall continue one Year, and no longer, after the Society have resolved at their Board to dismiss such Person from their Service.

XIX. That if any Place or Places in the Plantations desire to have a Missionary sent to them, this Society will not send any till they know whether those Places are able and willing to contribute towards the Maintenance of a Missionary; and that the Society will supply those Places, before others, which are most willing to contribute to such Maintenances.

XX. That no Books shall be given for the future to any other Persons, excepting to the Society's Missionaries.

XXI. That the Salary of the Society's Missionaries, School-masters, &c. be paid only by *Bills of Exchange*, to be by them drawn upon the Treasurer, from time to time, as such Salaries shall become due.

XXII. That the Missionaries of the Society, from the time they are receiv'd in the Service of the Society, and during their Stay in London, before their Departure to the Place appointed them, do acquaint the Secretary with the

the Place of their Lodging or Abode, and from time to time correspond with him.

XXIII. That each List of Books chosen by the Missionaries, with the Prices thereof, be laid before the Committee for their Approbation.



VIII. ORDERS *Relating to the* SCHOOL-MASTERS.

I. **T**HAT no Person be admitted a School-Master till he bring Certificates, with respect to the Particulars following.

1. The Age of the Person.
2. His Condition of Life, whether Single, or Married.
3. His Temper.
4. His Prudence.
5. His Learning.
6. His sober and pious Conversation.
7. His Zeal for the Christian Religion, and Diligence in his Calling.

8. His Affection to the present Government.

9. His Conformity to the Doctrine and Discipline of the Church of *England*.

II. That no Person be sent as a School-Master by the Society, till he has been try'd and approv'd by Three Members, appointed by the Society or Committee, who shall testify, by Word or Writing, his Ability to teach Reading, Writing, and the Catechism of the Church of *England*, and such Exposition thereof as the Society shall order.

III. That no Testimonials shall be allow'd of, but such as are sign'd by the respective Minister of the Parish where any such School-master to be sent over to the Plantations last lived; and where that is not practicable, by some other Persons of Credit and Note, three at least, of the Communion of the Church of *England*, (whereof one to be a Clergyman) and such as shall be well known to some of the Members of the Society.

IV. That all School-masters, in Matters which they desire should be laid before the Society, do correspond only with the President, or Secretary of the Society.

V. That

V. That if any School-master, in the Service of the Society, shall return from the Plantations, without Leave first had from the Society, such School-master shall receive no further Allowance from the Time he shall leave his Service there.

VI. That all School-masters sent over to the Plantations by the Society, (being Married Men) be oblig'd to take their Wives with them, unless they can offer such Reasons as shall induce the Society to dispense therewith.

VII. That the Salary of every School-master, who is not dismiss'd the Service for some Misdemeanour, shall continue one Year, and no longer, after the Society have resolv'd, at their Board, to dismiss such Person from their Service.

VIII. That no School-master be sent in the Society's Service till he be Episcopally Ordained *Deacon*; and that he have a Salary not under *Thirty Pounds. per Annum.*



IX. ORDERS *Relating to the* MESSENGER.

I. **T**HAT the Messenger for the time being, give Receipts in his own Name for the Money he shall receive, upon the Account of the Society, from any of the Members thereof; and that he pay the said Monies over to the Treasurer or Treasurers, and take his or their Receipt for the same, which shall be a Discharge thereof to the said Messenger.

II. That the Messenger attend the Treasurer and Secretary alternately every Day, to make up his Accounts, and receive such Directions from them as may relate to the Service of the Society.





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